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Re: Cause No. 13-20-00143-CV
Tr.Ct.No. 18-417-D
Style: Diana Garza v. Jose Ochoa

Dear Counsel:

The appellant's notice of appeal in the above cause was filed in this Court on March 17, 2020. Upon review of the notice of appeal, it appears that the notice fails to comply with TEX. R. APP. P. 9.5(e). Pursuant to TEX. R. APP. P. 37.1, you are hereby given notice of this defect so that steps may be taken to correct the defect, if it can be done. If a proper notice of appeal is not filed in the trial court within 30 days of the date of this notice, the matter will be referred to the Court for further action. In addition, within the same period of time, a copy of the amended notice of appeal shall be filed with this Court.

The parties should file a docketing statement with this Court within 15 days from the date of this notice. See TEX. R. APP. P. 5, 32. If appellant has not already done so, appellant should make a written request to the clerk and the court reporter and make arrangements to pay for the records within ten days of this notice. See *id.* R. 34.6(b)(1). Please remit the \$205.00 filing fee within ten days from the date of this notice.

Appeals and original proceedings in this Court are governed by the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure. The parties to this cause should review the rules and ensure that their filings meet the requirements of the rules. The parties should also review information regarding the Court's policies and procedures which can be found on the Court's website at <http://www.txcourts.gov/13thcoa.aspx>. The Court's website includes a wide variety of useful links and specific information about matters such as fees, motions, the alternative dispute resolution program, oral argument, and access to appellate records.

Under the recent amendments to the appellate rules, effective January 1, 2014, all attorneys in civil and criminal cases are required to file all documents (except a document submitted under seal or subject to a motion to seal) with the Court through the eFileTexas.gov electronic filing system. Parties not represented by an attorney are

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strongly encouraged to e-file documents, but e-filing is not required. An e-filer is not required to file any paper copies of an e-filed document unless specifically requested by the Court. All e-filed documents must conform to Rule 9 of the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure. If a party is not required to e-file a document, the original and one unbound copy of the document should be filed. See *id.* R. 9.3(a)(1). All documents, e-filed or submitted in paper, must be redacted in compliance with Rule 9, see *id.* R. 9.9, 9.10, and e-filed briefs must follow the Texas Supreme Court's Redaction Guidelines.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathy S. Mills", written in a cursive style.

Kathy S. Mills, Clerk

cc: Hon. Sandra L. Sterba-Boatwright (DELIVERED VIA E-MAIL)
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